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ED STATES PATENT AND TRADEM. & OFFICE In re Application of: David Johnson Group Art Unit: Serial No.: 09/334,054 Examiner: Sandra Nolan JUN 26 2003 Filed: June 15, 1998 Our Account No.: 04-1403 Confirmation No.: 4885 Customer No.: 22827 Title: Elastomeric Article with Fine Colloidal Silica Sur Treatment and Its Preparation Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **AMENDMENT** This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto. Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below: Claims Highest remaining number after previously Present Additional amendment paid for Extra Fee Total Effective Claims 28 0.00 Independent Claims 5 minus 5 x \$84 =If amcndment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time, add \$280.00 (per application) 0.00 Since Official Action set an original due date of N/A PETITION is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$110; 2 months \$410; 3 months \$930; 4 months \$1450) 0.00 If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00) 0.00 SUBTOTAL: 0.00 If "small entity" verified statement filed [] previously, [] herewith, enter one-half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract 0.00 TOTAL: 0.00 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED: 0.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any fees in addition to the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account No. shown in the heading hereof for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. This statement does not authorize charge of the issue fee in this case. ADDRESS: **DORITY & MANNING** Post Office Box 1449 ATTORNEYS AT LAW, P.A. Greenville, South Carolina 29602 By: Jason W. Johnston Reg. No.: 45,675 Date: June 24, 2003 Telephone: 864-271-1592 Facsimile: 864-233-7342 Signature: I hereby certify that this correspondence and any referenced attachment and fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Post Office Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 24, 2003 Lynn Watkins (Typed or printed name of person mailing paper or fee)

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2003, please amend the abovecaptioned applications as follows:

<u>Amendments to the Claims</u> are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on p. 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on pg. 7 of this paper.